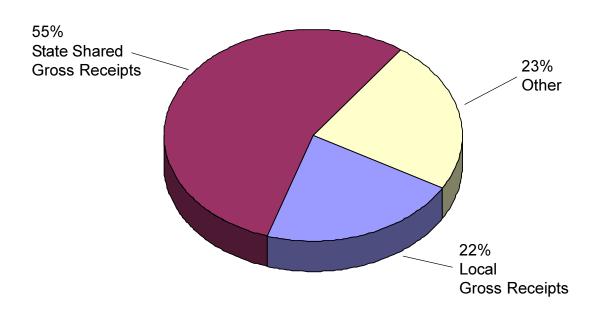


# GENERAL OPERATING FUND REVENUE SOURCES

#### **GROSS RECEIPTS TAXES VS. OTHER SOURCES**

### **Fiscal Year 2002-2003**



The major source of revenue for the General Fund is the State Shared Gross Receipts Tax, which accounts for over half (55%) of the total revenues projected. Combined with the Local Gross Receipts Tax, 77% of the General Fund revenues are generated by these two sources.

#### CITY OF SANTA FE GENERAL OPERATING FUND AVAILABLE SOURCES OF REVENUE

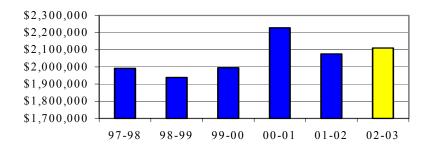
#### **Locally Imposed Taxes**

<u>Franchise Taxes</u> - The city imposes a fee on the gross receipts of private utilities doing business within the city. The tax is usually imposed when the municipality contracts with utilities to provide gas, electric, telephone, or cable TV services for the use of city right-of-way.

#### Analysis:

Listed below are the past five years of actual revenue with the percent of increase or decrease. In FY 2000/01, the increased revenue was largely due to a sharp increase in natural gas prices and colder weather. Similarly, the decreased revenue was based on a combination of milder weather and lower natural gas prices.

FISCAL		% INCREASE/
<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<pre><decrease></decrease></pre>
1997/98	¢1 001 276	4 4
1998/99	\$1,991,376 1,938,304	4.4 <2.7>
1998/99	1,995,789	3.0
2000/01	2,228,713	1.2
2001/02	2,075,036	<6.9>
2002/03	2,110,000	.02



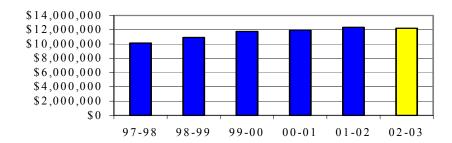
Municipal Gross Receipts Tax - Tax authorized pursuant to New Mexico State Statutes and implemented by local governments with tax collected from retailers on goods and services sold. The State of New Mexico gives local governments authority to enact a gross receipts (GRT) tax up to 1.5625%. The City of Santa Fe is at this maximum level.

#### Analysis:

Listed below are the past five years of actual revenue collected in municipal gross receipt tax authorized for general municipal purposes and the amount budgeted for the current fiscal year.

For FY 2002/03, the revenue estimate was established at a 0.82 decrease in comparison to the FY 2001/02 actual revenue of \$12,344,510. The 2002/03 estimate is conservative considering the erratic trends in gross receipts during the past fiscal year with the intention of adjusting gross receipts revenue at midyear if the signs of economic recovery generate additional revenue.

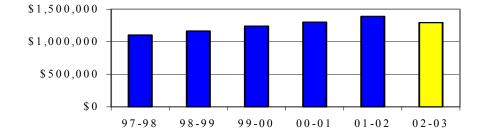
FISCAL <u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	% INCREASE/ <decrease></decrease>
1997/98	\$10,125,058	5.8
1998/99	10,899,721	7.7
1999/00	11,764,660	7.9
2000/01	11,961,483	.2
2001/02	12,344,510	3.2
2002/03	12,200,713	<.82>



<u>Property Taxes</u> - Are levied and collected by the Santa Fe County Treasurer on behalf of the city. The county remits to the city, on a monthly basis, a percentage of the collections made during that period. The percentage is calculated by the county based upon the amounts collected, the mill levy and the proportion of city taxpayers to the county as a whole.

Listed below are the past five years of actual revenue and proposed estimate with the percent of increase or decrease. The revenue estimate for fiscal year 2002/03 is based on preliminary data provided by the State Department of Finance Administration - Local Government Division.

FISCAL		% INCREASE/
<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<pre><decrease></decrease></pre>
1997/98	\$1,101,145	5.9
1998/99	1,162,711	5.6
1999/00	1,239,806	6.6
2000/01	1,300,305	4.9
2001/02	1,388,393	6.7
2002/03	1,295,000	<9.3>

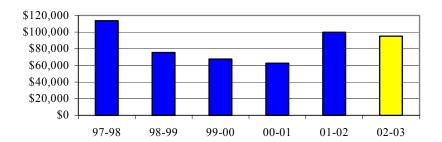


<u>Cigarette Tax</u> - The state of New Mexico collects tax on every pack of cigarettes and returns 2 cents per pack for general operating purposes to the city in which the cigarettes were purchased. An additional 1-cent per pack is returned and earmarked for recreation purposes and is budgeted in the Recreation Fund (2705).

#### Analysis:

Cigarette tax collections decreased over several years but increased significantly in 2001/02. The downward trend seen in previous years was the result of reduced consumption caused by advertising. National antismoking campaigns appear to be having less effect on tobacco sales.

FISCAL <u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	% INCREASE/ < <u>DECREASE</u> >
1997/98	\$113,701	<4.7>
1998/99	75,423	<33.7>
1999/00	67,518	<11.5>
2000/01	62,671	<7.2>
2001/02	99,908	59.4
2002/03	95,000	<5.0>

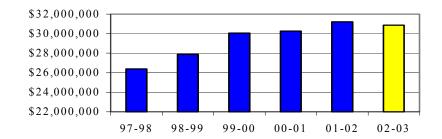


#### State-Shared Taxes

Gross Receipts Tax - This is the major source of revenue for municipalities in New Mexico and makes up over 54% of the total general operating fund revenues for the city of Santa Fe. Statewide, a 5% gross receipt tax is imposed; however, a credit of up to one-half of 1% is allowed for local gross receipts taxes imposed by municipalities. An increment of 1.225% is then returned to the municipality in which the tax is collected.

For FY 2002/03, the revenue estimate was established with a 1.1% decrease from the FY 200/02 actual revenue of \$31,212,009. Trends will be closely analyzed over the course of the fiscal year and this line may be adjusted during the mid-year review.

FISCAL <u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	% INCREASE/ <decrease></decrease>
1997/98	\$26,387,207	9.2
1998/99	27,876,272	5.6
1999/00	30,050,062	7.8
2000/01	30,268,370	0.1
2001/02	31,212,009	3.1
2002/03	30,873,737	<1.1>



The city's current gross receipts tax rate is 6.4375 cents per dollar. Out of the state's 4.500 cents, the state keeps 2.775 cents and distributes back to the city 1.225 cents. A quarter-cent goes for funding of the bus system, quality of life projects and supplements general operations for revenue losses attributed to the one-eighth percent reductions made by the state; another quarter-cent goes to the county indigent fund to assist those who cannot afford health care; an eighth-percent funds general county operations; a one-sixteenth percent funds municipal solid waste improvements; another one-sixteenth percent funds improvements associated with the wastewater collection and treatment systems; a one-sixteenth percent funds the debt service payment for the acquisition of the railyard property and other general fund purposes, a one-sixteenth percent funds 15 additional police officers and related costs; and a one-sixteenth percent funds Chavez Center operations. The one-cent per dollar left is used to fund the city's capital improvements program and general city operations. The county component will increase in January 2003 from an eighth to a quarter percent; this increase will be shared with the City, primarily to fund water projects.

## GROSS RECEIPTS TAX

effective Jan. 2003

FOR EVERY \$1 IN SALES, 6.6875 CENTS IS COLLECTED IN GROSS RECEIPTS TAX

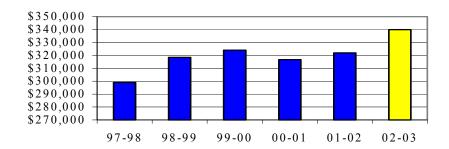
DISTRIBUTED	
TO:	CENTS
The State	
(1.225 is returned	4.500
to the city)	
City Capital	
Improvement Plan	0.500
General City	
Operations	0.500
County	
Indigent Fund	0.250
County Operations	0.125
County Capital	0.250
Mun. G.R.T.	
(Bus System, Quality	0.250
of Life, Revenue Loss)	
Mun. G.R.T.	
Environmental (WW)	0.625
Mun. G.R.T.	
Infrastructure:	
Solid Waste	0.0625
Railyard	0.0625
Police	0.0625
Chavez Center	0.0625

<u>Automobile Licenses</u> - The state of New Mexico collects fees for each motor vehicle registrations and driver's license issued from a Motor Vehicle Department field office within each county. A percentage of these fees are then distributed to each city in proportion to the registration fees collected.

#### Analysis:

The amount of collections is estimated to increase 5.6% over the FY 01/02 actual revenue of \$321,857.

FISCAL		% INCREASE/
<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<decrease></decrease>
1997/98	\$298,999	5.7
1998/99	318,431	6.4
1999/00	323,999	1.7
2000/01	316,716	<2.2>
2001/02	321,857	1.6
2002/03	340,000	5.6

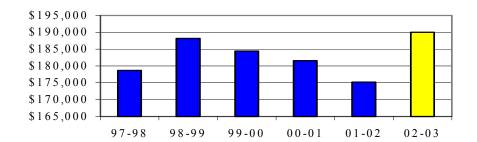


<u>Business Registrations</u> - Fee imposed on each place of business conducted in the city and not licensed pursuant to Section 3-38-1 NMSA 1978. The current business registration fee is \$35 and is payable on March 16th of each year and may not be prorated for any portion of the year.

#### Analysis:

Listed below are the past five years of actual revenue with the percent of increase or decrease. The city has not experienced any significant increase in new business establishments, during the current fiscal year. There has been a gradual but consistent decrease in the amount of revenue from business registration suggesting that businesses may not be renewing their registrations.

FISCAL		% INCREASE/
YEAR	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<pre><decrease></decrease></pre>
1997/98	\$178,668	<4.1>
1998/99	188,183	5.3
1999/00	184,391	<2.0>
2000/01	181,581	<1.5>
2001/02	175,197	<3.5>
2002/03	190,000	8.4



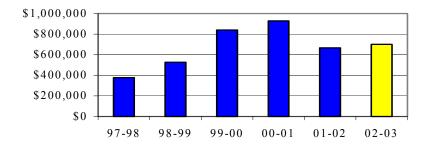
#### Fees and Services

Ambulance Service - The city of Santa Fe Fire Department operates the Ambulance/Emergency Medical Services for the city. Fees for services are regulated by the New Mexico State Corporation Commission under a rate tariff. Basic services are billed at the rate of \$275 for the basic life or \$325 advanced life with additional fees for other services as provided. The Accounts Receivable Section is responsible for monthly billing and collection for services provided.

#### Analysis:

The city has aggressively pursue the collections of ambulance billings through contact with clients, insurance companies and other benefit providers, as well as referring clients to assistance programs. The city has changed its method of collection by accepting assignment with Medicare and Medicaid providers. The increased revenue beginning in FY 1999/00 reflects an increase in the fees allowed by the New Mexico State Corporation Commission. The decline in revenue in 2001/02 is the result of a backlog of unbilled services due to understaffing in the accounts receivable section. Action is underway to reduce this backlog. The FY 2002/03 budget estimate will be evaluated at midyear.

FISCAL YEAR	<u>AMOUNT</u>	% INCREASE/ <decrease></decrease>
1997/98	\$378,017	<17.4>
1998/99	526,580	39.3
1999/00	839,543	59.4
2000/01	929,115	10.7
2001/02	665,704	<28.4>
2002/03	700,000	5.2



#### Interest on Investments

Interest earnings are derived from the investment of temporarily-idle cash. Effective cash management coordinates revenue and expenditure forecasts in a pattern designed to minimize cash on hand.

#### Analysis:

The prospect of continued low interest rates is conducive to economic stimulation. The significant decline in investment interest that began in FY 2001-02 reflects Federal Reserve action to reduce interest rates and support recovery from recession.

FISCAL		% INCREASE/
<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<pre><decrease></decrease></pre>
1997/98	\$580,964	<1.8>
1998/99	620,881	6.9
1999/00	615,248	<1.0>
2000/01	601,435	<2.2>
2001/02	541,113	<10.0>
2002/03	421,800	<22.0>

